



Minutes

Wednesday, October 18, 2006

Virginia Information Technologies Agency (VITA) Auditorium
110 South Seventh Street, Richmond, VA

Attendance

Members Present:

Hiram R. Johnson, Vice Chair
Kenneth S. Johnson, Sr.
Walter J. Kucharski
Mary Guy Miller, Ph.D.

James F. McGuirk, II, Chair
Leonard M. Pomata
Bertram S. "Bert" Reese

Members Absent:

The Honorable Aneesh Chopra
Scott D. Pattison
Alexander "Sandy" Thomas

Others Present:

Lemuel C. Stewart, Jr., Chief Information Officer of the Commonwealth
Marcella Williamson, ITIB Executive Director

Call to Order

Chairman James F. McGuirk, II, called the meeting of the Information Technology Investment Board (ITIB) to order at approximately 4:05 a.m.

Meet the ITIB

Chairman McGuirk said that an informal session with staff was planned, but the meeting must be open and called to order under the state's Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requirements because more than two ITIB members are together discussing business.

Chairman McGuirk asked members to introduce themselves and provide a few comments.

Chairman McGuirk discussed formation of the ITIB and VITA. He said the vision of an independent board and an independent agency is far reaching. He said the idea was to do something totally different. He said it is really quite amazing that the General Assembly entered into this type of arrangement, which is unique because it is a citizen board with supervisory responsibility.

Chairman McGuirk said that VITA is an unbelievably qualified and top-notch organization. He said many on the board have run large organizations, but said he would put VITA up against any organization he has seen in the IT industry. He said VITA staff members have his admiration for what they have gone through and what they have done.

He said the ITIB understands the organization and that how it works is based on employees. He said the one of the most important things the board can do is to represent VITA employees.

Chairman McGuirk said the state is getting national recognition across the country because of VITA employees. He said the ITIB wants to thank employees. He said the ITIB is very, very fortunate to have VITA staff members.

Employees asked questions about how the ITIB thinks they can improve their performance, the ITIB role in the enterprise applications program and the biggest challenges faced by the ITIB and VITA. Board members responded to employee questions.

Dr. Miller urged individual employees to keep up their energy. She urged staff to pull together and help one another. She urged staff to be the best they can be on a daily basis and help one another.

Adjournment

Chairman McGuirk adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:55 p.m. for refreshments with staff.